

(d) No.

(e) No answer is necessary.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): Did not the Government publish in the Gazette that they are willing to accept it?

Dr. A. R. Menon (Minister for Rural Development): Yes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): What is the delay to give effect to it?

Dr. A. R. Menon (Minister for Rural Development): There are a number of amendments to be incorporated and it is the intention of Government to bring in a Bill called the Panchayat Bill with certain alterations in the existing conditions. In that Bill this will be included.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): For introducing this amendment, is it not enough if it is introduced alone and why should the Government delay introducing it?

Dr. A. R. Menon (Minister for Rural Development): Because the Government think that it is better to introduce it along with other amendments.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): Was there no request to introduce the system of colour boxes in any of the Panchayat elections?

Dr. A. R. Menon (Minister for Rural Development): No; that is the answer supplied to me by the department.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): Did not some of the people of the Adat Group Panchayat request the Government or the Department to introduce this system?

Dr. A. R. Menon (Minister for Rural Development): The answer is given 'No' by the Director himself.

DUMBA COLONY AT CHITTUR—ESTABLISHMENT OF

380. Mr. A. Eachara Menon (Chittur-Rural): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) how far they have progressed in the matter of having a "Dumba" colony in Chittur;

(b) will it be an accomplished fact in the near future?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*):

- (a) The site for the colony has already been acquired, and steps are in progress to construct a row of ten houses on it.
- (b) Yes; this year itself.

VALLANGHI—ELECTRIC LIGHTING IN PALLITHERUVU

381. Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (*Nemmara*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether it is not a fact that there are no public electric lights in പള്ളിത്തറവു in Vallanghi, Chittur Taluk;
- (b) whether the people of the locality petitioned the Government recently pointing out the necessity for the installation of electric lights in the said street;
- (c) whether the Government be pleased to grant the prayer of the public in the matter?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*):

- (a) Yes, but there are two electric lights at the two entrances to this lane.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Not at present.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (*Nemmara*): Are the Government aware that a mosque is situated there?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): The difficulty is to put up lights everywhere. I am informed that it is not a very important lane.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (*Nemmara*): But there is a mosque there.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): I shall consider about that.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): May I know whether the people are prepared to pay for the additional facilities or whether they want it free from the Government?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): This is all given free. I do not think the Panchayat is charging the people for electricity, unless it is for the electricity they consume in their own houses. All public places are lighted by Government.